

House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 4155 on May 29, 2015: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 27, 2015: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE WEST HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

CHAPTER 1240

S.B. No. 1459

AN ACT

relating to the powers and duties of the West Harris County Regional Water Authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 1.06, Chapter 414, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) Notwithstanding any provision of this section or other law, no territory may be annexed or added to the authority that, at the time of annexation or addition, is located within the boundaries of both:

(1) another regional water authority created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

(2) a subsidence district.

SECTION 2. Section 4.01, Chapter 414, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) The authority is not a special water authority for purposes of Chapter 49, Water Code.

SECTION 3. Section 4.04, Chapter 414, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4.04. PURCHASE OF WATER FROM ANOTHER ENTITY. If the authority purchases water from another entity for resale to local governments, the authority shall use its best efforts in negotiating with the entity to determine the amount of capital costs included in any rates or charges paid by the authority. The authority shall determine the amount of expected capital costs of its own system. The authority may ~~shall~~ provide each district or municipality within its boundaries information regarding the share of the capital costs to be paid by the district or municipality, as determined by the authority, and *may* ~~shall~~ provide each district or municipality the opportunity, in a manner and by a procedure determined by the authority, to fund its share of the capital costs with proceeds from the sale of bonds or fees and charges collected by the districts or municipalities. In complying with this section, the authority may use any reasonable basis to calculate from time to time the share of the capital costs of a district or municipality. The authority may calculate the shares of the capital costs based on the amount of water used within the authority by the district or municipality during the calendar year preceding the year in which the calculation is made, and the authority may exclude from the calculation the amount of water used within Fort Bend County if the authority did not charge a fee under Section 4.03(b) of this Act on wells within Fort Bend County during that calendar year. A district or municipality may use any lawful source of revenue, including bond funds, to make payment for any sums due to the authority. The authority may adopt a procedure by which a district or municipality may receive a credit from the authority. The board may adopt any other procedure necessary to accomplish the goals of this section. This section or any failure to comply with this

section does not limit or impede the authority's ability to issue bonds or notes or invalidate any fees, user fees, charges, rates, or special assessments imposed by the authority.

SECTION 4. Except as provided by this Act, the West Harris County Regional Water Authority retains all the rights, powers, privileges, authority, duties, and functions that it had before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 5. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all acts and proceedings of the board of directors of the West Harris County Regional Water Authority that were taken before the effective date of this Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to any matter that on the effective date of this Act:

(1) is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final judgment of a court; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final judgment of a court.

SECTION 6. Section 1.06(g), Chapter 414, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, as added by this Act, applies only to an annexation or addition of land that is completed on or after the effective date of this Act. An annexation or addition of land that is completed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the annexation or addition was completed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 7. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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**PROTECTIVE ORDERS AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONS WHO
ARE CONVICTED OF OR PLACED ON DEFERRED
ADJUDICATION COMMUNITY SUPERVISION FOR AN
OFFENSE INVOLVING FAMILY VIOLENCE**

CHAPTER 1241

H.B. No. 1782

AN ACT

relating to protective orders against certain persons who are convicted of or placed on deferred adjudication community supervision for an offense involving family violence.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter 81, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 81.0015 to read as follows:

Sec. 81.0015. PRESUMPTION. For purposes of this subtitle, there is a presumption that family violence has occurred and is likely to occur in the future if:

(1) the respondent has been convicted of or placed on deferred adjudication community supervision for any of the following offenses against the child for whom the petition is filed: